SALE OF RICE AND PADDY.

*Q.—663. SRI G. V. GOWDA (Palya).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether they are aware that rice and paddy are being sold in the market at a rate much higher than the rate fixed by Government ;

(b) if so, the steps the Government has taken in this behalf ?

A.—SRI M. V. KRISHNAPPA (Minister for Revenue).—

(a) There are some complaints to this effect.

(b)

A. (i) The State Government are building up buffer stock of rice and jowar.

(ii) They have decided to introduce informal rationing by stages in Urban pockets and pockets of concentrated labour population.

B. They have issued several regulatory and control Orders in respect of foodgrains.

C. (1) Provision has been made in the III Five Year Plan for increased agricultural production particularly of foodgrains in order to achieve self-sufficiency in food.

(2) Two Centrally sponsored schemes, one for organisation of consumers Co-operative Societies in Urban areas with a population of 50,000 and above and another for distribution of consumer articles in rural areas through Co-operative Marketing Societies are under implementation.

(3) According to the decision taken by the Government of India steps have been taken to set up Fair Price Shops in Industrial undertakings employing more than 300 workers.

AMOUNT SPENT UNDER THE HEAD 'TOURISM' DURING III FIVE YEAR PLAN.

*Q.—668. SRI G. V. GOWDA (Palya).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) the amount provided in the III Five Year Plan of the State under the head 'Tourism' ;

(b) the various works taken up and the amount spent on each of them upto the end of February 1965 ?